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Title: Systems and Methods for Attaching a Prosthesis Within a Body Lumen or Hollow Organ

**AMENDMENT A**  
**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT TO ELECT SPECIES/SUBSPECIES**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment A responds to the Office Action mailed December 8, 2006, for which a shortened one month response period was set.

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including April 8, 2007, 2006 is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

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